



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Palmetto Middle School
Anderson 1
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 866
Principal: Barry W. Knight
Superintendent: Dr. Wayne Fowler
Board Chair: Mr. Fred Alexander

PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD | | ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM | |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
| | | | General Performance | Closing the Gap | ESEA Grade | Accountability Indicator |
| 2013 | Good | Average | TBD | TBD | A | N/A |
| 2012 | Good | Good | Silver | N/A | A | N/A |
| 2011 | Good | Good | Silver | N/A | Not Met | N/A |

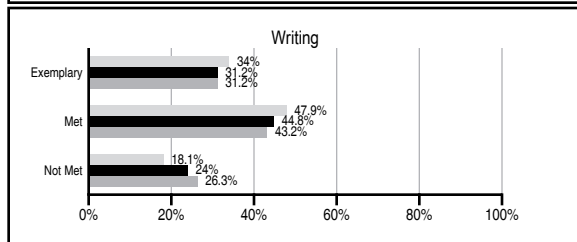
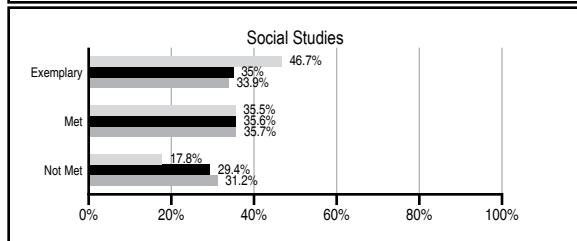
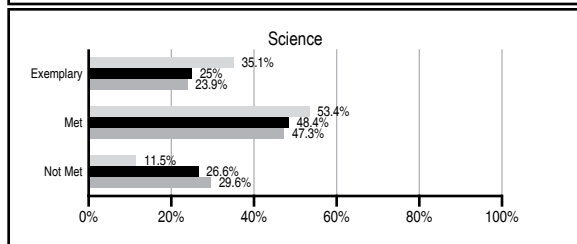
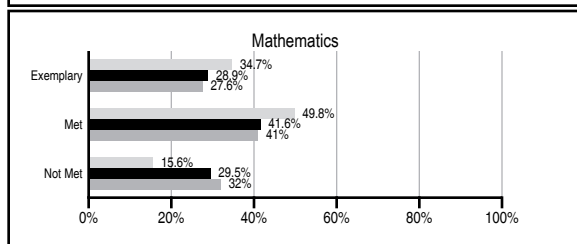
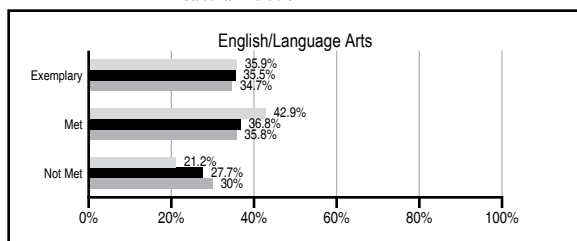
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 4 | 19 | 37 | 1 | 1 |

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)

| | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------|------------|----------|
| South Carolina | 28 | 45 | 25 | 2 |
| Nation | 25 | 43 | 29 | 3 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced | | | | |
| | Below Basic | Basic | Proficient | Advanced |

MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)

| | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------|------------|----------|
| South Carolina | 30 | 38 | 25 | 7 |
| Nation | 28 | 39 | 26 | 8 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced | | | | |
| | Below Basic | Basic | Proficient | Advanced |

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2011)

| | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------|------------|----------|
| South Carolina | 39 | 32 | 27 | 1 |
| Nation | 36 | 32 | 29 | 2 |
| % Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced | | | | |
| | Below Basic | Basic | Proficient | Advanced |

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our Middle School | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 97.9 | 96.3 |
| English 1 | 96.8 | 94.8 |
| Physical Science | N/A | N/A |
| US History and the Constitution | N/A | N/A |
| All Subjects | 97.4 | 95.9 |

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

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Palmetto Middle School [Anderson 1]

SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | Middle Schools with Students Like Ours | Median Middle School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Students (n=866) | | | | |
| Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8) | 21.6% | Up from 20.7% | 25.7% | 24.6% |
| Retention rate | 0.3% | Down from 0.7% | 0.7% | 0.6% |
| Attendance rate | 95.0% | Down from 95.6% | 95.8% | 95.9% |
| Served by gifted and talented program | 16.9% | N/A | 21.0% | 18.5% |
| With disabilities | 15.2% | N/A | 14.1% | 13.0% |
| Older than usual for grade | 5.9% | N/A | 5.4% | 4.8% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses | 0.0% | No Change | 0.7% | 0.6% |
| Annual dropout rate | 0.0% | No Change | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Teachers (n=49) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 75.5% | Up from 68.8% | 62.0% | 61.5% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 71.4% | Up from 66.7% | 83.3% | 77.2% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 84.4% | Down from 86.9% | 88.1% | 85.9% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 93.6% | Up from 93.1% | 94.7% | 94.9% |
| Average teacher salary* | \$48,459 | Up 6.9% | \$48,386 | \$47,313 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 2.6% | Down from 2.7% | 0.6% | 2.0% |
| Professional development days/teacher | 8.7 days | Up from 6.1 days | 9.1 days | 10.1 days |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 19.0 | Up from 18.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 22.8 to 1 | Up from 21.3 to 1 | 22.2 to 1 | 22.1 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 87.4% | Down from 88.3% | 89.4% | 89.6% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Good | Down from Excellent | Good | Good |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Parents attending conferences | 100.0% | Up from 91.5% | 98.4% | 99.0% |
| Character development program | Excellent | Up from Good | Good | Good |
| Dollars spent per pupil** | \$5,849 | Down 1.7% | \$7,170 | \$7,239 |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction** | 68.0% | Down from 69.2% | 64.0% | 63.0% |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries** | 62.0% | Down from 66.1% | 61.0% | 61.0% |
| ESEA composite index score | 91.1 | Down from 99.4 | 84.5 | 83.5 |

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 59 | 248 | 131 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 93.2% | 80.6% | 90.1% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 89.8% | 84.6% | 76.3% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 84.2% | 84.2% | 76.5% |

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Palmetto Middle School is a recognized leader in educational excellence. In 2012-2013, we experienced more success in academics, athletics, and extra-curricular activities. Our school received a Palmetto Silver Award from the SC Department of Education for Academic Achievement in 2012, and this summer our school has been selected to receive an Outstanding School Award at the 2013 HSTW Summer Staff Development Conference. The award is given to schools that have demonstrated outstanding commitment in improving student achievement.

Just like past years, we are committed to ensuring the development of each student as a lifelong learner and are pleased with the culture we have created. Every child is ensured with a challenging curriculum while at the same time, we are responding to their developmental needs. Not only are our students being educated in the core curriculum but they are also learning how to become good stewards of their community through our commitment to service learning. Our dedicated faculty remains loyal to the development of students in the areas of academics, fine arts, athletics, and service. Once again, our students served over 8,000 hours of community service through programs that support our philosophy of giving back to others.

Our increased use of technology helps to keep our parents connected to our school and informed about their child's progress. What is most notable is how our entire faculty analyzes data in order to find ways to improve student learning. We are pleased with the progress our students continue making academically, socially and environmentally. Our students' results are in direct relationship to the dedication of our teachers, the parents, and the desire of each student to be their best. Palmetto Middle students will continue to grow academically as our staff implements Common Core State Standards during the coming school year. We are determined to continue to offer the kind of quality educational programs that Palmetto Middle School students deserve.

Susan McAbee, SIC Chairperson and Barry Knight, Principal

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